



At the Game

Sainty places forth

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Indian wrestlers, Cody Sherlock, Freddy Pacheco, Terrence Lamb, Darris Keller, Jesse Pacheco, Scott Ford and David Guthmiller all placed in the top four positions at the Panther Invitational wrestling tournament in Phillipsburg on Saturday.

Sherlock, a sophomore, led the Indians. He came home with the championship at 125 pounds.

He wasn't the only Indian who made it to the championship match. Freshman F. Pacheco vied for the championship at 112 pounds but was defeated by Hunsicker of Ellis.

Placing third were Terrence Lamb and Darris Keller and placing fourth were Jesse Pacheco, Scott Ford and Adam Guthmiller.

St. Francis, as a team, placed fourth with 94.5 points. Taking top honors were Norton with 147.5, Abilene with 135.5 and Beloit 102.

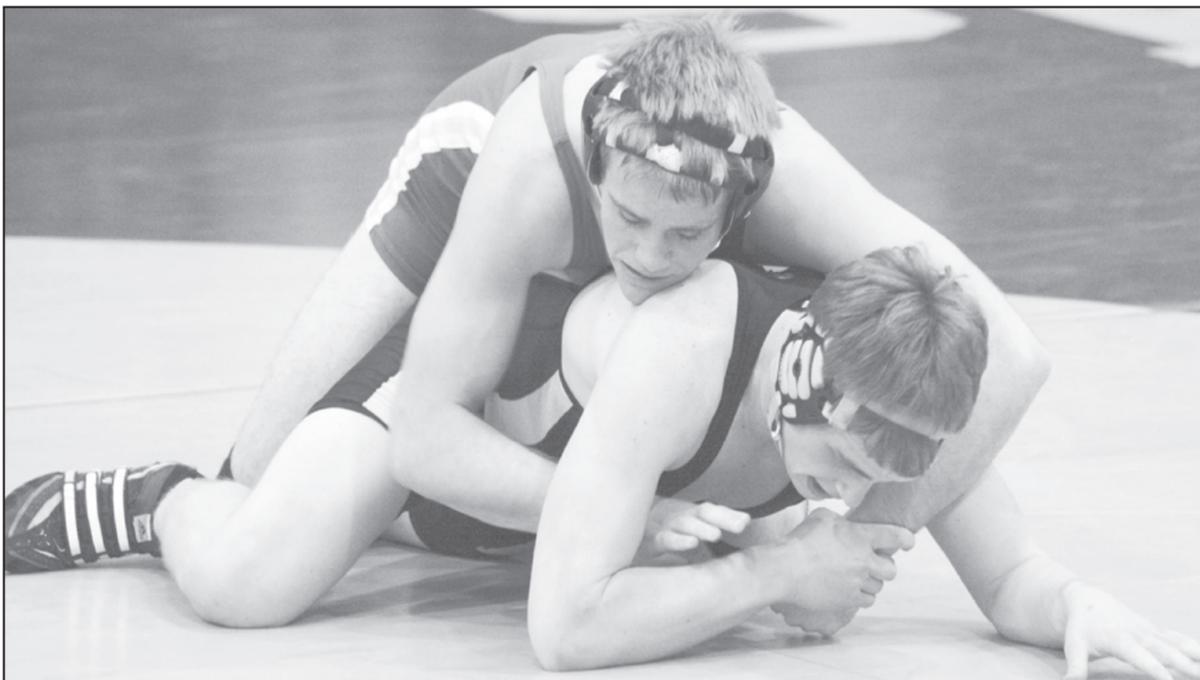
"We wrestled really well," Coach Mike Frewen said. "We could have placed third if we had won three or four more matches in the medal round. Some of them we could have won just as easy as lost."

"The coach felt that overall, they had a good day/

"Freddy (Pacheco) beat a pretty good kid from Beloit in the semis," Coach Frewen said. "His final match was a close one which could have gone either way. The Ellis kid just made less mistakes. This is the best he has wrestled in quite a while.

"Cody (Sherlock) wrestled really well all day. He was in a tough weight. His final match was a tough one but he won 5-1.

"Terrence (Lamb) wrestled the Hill City kid (Orr) twice and beat him both times. This is the same kid that kept Terrence from going to state last year. This shows that he has improved a lot. He had a good day. With the Norton kid he got caught on his back. In the match for third and fourth, Terrence was ahead 7-0 with Orr getting five points in the last sec-



GRADY BRUNK WORKS to turn his opponent at the Panther Classic in Phillipsburg. Herald photo courtesy of Krisi Guthmiller

onds. "Darris (Keller) wrestled good on Saturday. He was consistent. The Norton kid that got first is one of the top in the state. The kid that placed second is also a top-ranked kid.

"Jesse (Pacheco) met the Beloit kid (Spangler) who is a returning state champion. The Abilene kid (Wuthnow) is also outstanding. All of the kids that placed above him are rated. He has some tough competition.

"Grady (Brunk) was the fifth best. All of the four above him are ranked in state. He is getting better. He was right in the match with King of Ellis.

"Scott (Ford) had a good day. He needs to wrestle at a high level in every match.

Adam (Guthmiller) had two of his losses to the kid from Norton (Sproul). Adam was ahead 9-3 in one match before he got caught in a pin. He needs to eliminate mistakes.

Team standings

Norton 147.5, Abilene 135.5, Beloit 102, St. Francis 94.5, Hoisington 84.5, Minneapolis 74, Ellsworth 46, Ellis 46, Lakin 42, Phillipsburg 30, Stockton 29, Hoxie 25.5, Hill City 12, Lincoln 10, Sylvan 3.

Top four placers

103: Cole, Abilene; Hrabe, Stockton; Jones, Hoxie; Constabile, Minneapolis.

112: Hunsicker, Ellis; F. Pacheco, St. Francis; Sahlfeld, Beloit; Trahan, Minneapolis.

119: Broeckelman, Norton, Davis, Lakin, Lopez, Ellis; Gallaway, Stockton.

125: Sherlock, St. Francis; Corman, Minneapolis; Terrell, Norton; Pentheny, Lakin.

130: Schneider, Ellsworth; Kelswetter, Norton; Lamb, St. Francis; Orr, Hill City.

135: Keiswetter, Norton; Hewitt, Beloit; Keller, St. Francis; Street, Lincoln.

140: Bainter, Norton; Lynch, Lakin; Kelly, Abilene; Klein, Minneapolis.

145: Spangler, Beloit; Wuthnow, Abilene; McKenna, Norton; J. Pacheco, St. Francis

152: Picking, Abilene; Perez, Norton; Loomis, Beloit; Kinderknecht, Ellis.

160: Wuthnow, Abilene; Engstrom, Hoisington; Omlie, Minneapolis; King, Ellis.

171: Ward, Abilene; Mellon, Beloit; Bullard, Hoisington; Ford, St. Francis.

189: Hickel, Hoisington; Krone, Beloit; Sproul, Norton; Guthmiller, St. Francis.

215: Kyler, Ellsworth; Wuthnow, Abilene; Griffith, Minneapolis; Mitchell, Hoisington.

285: Rice, Phillipsburg; Keener, Hoisington; Salmans, Hoxie; Gjerstad, Abilene.

Team statistics

St. Francis wrestlers followed by their opponents: takedowns, 23-26; three-point near falls, 10-4; two-point near falls, 6-2; reversals 15-15; escapes 18-11; wins 18-11.

Individual Results

112: F. Pacheco won by a fall over Spires, Stockton; won by a 15-12 decision over Sahlfeld, Beloit; lost by a 10-6 decision to Hunsicker, Ellis.

125: Sherlock won by a fall over Schneider, Phillipsburg; won by a 6-2 decision over Pentheny, Lakin; won by a 5-1 decision over Corman, Minneapolis.

130: Lamb won by a 16-0 technical fall over Reisner, Hoisington; won by a 5-3 decision over Orr, Hill City; lost by a fall to Keiswetter, Norton; won by a fall over Strauss, Abilene; won by a 7-5 decision over Orr.

135: Keller won by a fall over Bell, Hoisington; lost by a fall to Keiswetter, Norton; won by a fall over Bland, Sylvan Unified; won by a fall over Street, Lincoln.

145: J. Pacheco won by a 6-3 decision over Bainter, Hoxie; lost by a fall to Spangler, Beloit; won by a fall over Henry, Stockton; lost by a 6-5 decision to McKenna, Norton.

160: Brunk lost an 8-0 major decision to Omlie, Minneapolis; won by a fall over Wilson, Stockton; lost by a fall to King, Ellis.

171: Ford won by a fall over Zachgo, Lincoln; lost by a 14-5 major decision to Ward, Abilene; won by a fall over Johnson, Hill City; lost by a fall to Bullard, Hoisington.

189: Guthmiller lost by a fall to Sproul, Norton; won by a 9-6 decision over Klein, Minneapolis; lost by a fall to Sproul, Norton.

Team leaders

Several team leaders have emerged on the Indian squad as they go into the final dual of the season on Friday with Rawlins County. Following that they will participate in the state-qualifying regional tournament the weekend of Feb. 20.

F. Pacheco: most falls (17). Sherlock: most team points (151); most decisions (12).

Lamb: most wins (29); most two-point near falls (12).

Keller: most three-point near falls (22); most reversals (29); most technical falls (2).

J. Pacheco: most takedowns (58). G. Brunk: most escapes (32).

Junior varsity

Four St. Francis wrestlers participated in the junior varsity division of the Phillipsburg tournament. Ross Nicklos placed fourth at 125 pounds.

112: Logan Whitmore lost by a fall to Wessling, Beloit; lost by a 16-2 decision to Nickell, Norton.

112: David Leibbrandt lost by a fall to Galloway, Stockton; won by an 8-7 decision over Pentheny, Lakin; lost by a fall to Millard, Abilene.

125: Brandon McGinnis lost by a fall to Waggoner, Norton; lost by a fall to Nicklos, St. Francis.

125: Ross Nicklos won by a fall over Simmons, Minneapolis; lost by a fall to Dudden, Beloit; won by a fall over McGinnis, St. Francis; lost by a fall to Waggoner, Norton.

Indians win 19

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Rawlins County junior high wrestlers entertained the young Indian wrestlers on Thursday night in Atwood.

St. Francis won 19 matches during the evening while the Buffaloes posted 13 wins.

Teams stats for the evening include: takedowns: 32, near falls 12, reversals 3, escapes 7, falls 13, wins 19, losses 13.

"We still have some things to work on but they are getting better each time they get on the mat," Coach Steve Jenkins said. "We are especially tough on our feet."

Individual results

Casey Keller won by a fall over Markland; lost by a fall to Solko.

Lane Hoffman won by an 8-5 decision over Solko; won by a fall over Markland.

Foster Grant lost by a fall to Griffith.

Austin White won by a 5-3 decision over Markland; lost by a fall to Griffith.

Gaten Cooper won by a fall over Williams.

Wyatt Landenberger won by a fall over Williams.

Mason Schiltz lost by a fall to Griffith.

Logan Lampe won by a 10-8 decision over Tiemeyer; lost by a fall to Williams.

Joey McCormick lost by a fall to Solko.

Mike Leibbrandt won by a fall over Capo; won by a fall over Tiemeyer.

Dylan Wolaver won by a fall over Capo; won by a 9-0 decision over Wright; won by a fall over Noble.

Keegan Sherlock won by a fall over Reuther; lost by a fall to Wright; lost by a fall to Noble.

Thomas Douthit won by a fall over Reuther; lost by a 5-1 decision to Nobel; lost by a fall to Wright.

Joseph Fletcher won by a fall over Henry; lost by a fall to Ginther.

Dillion Straub won by a fall over Ginther, won by a fall over Henry; lost by a fall to Sharp.

Zach Gienger won by a fall over Henry; lost by a 3-1 decision to Sharp.

Lucas Carmichael won by a fall over Warren, St. Francis.

Scott Warren lost by a fall to Carmichael, St. Francis.



GARRETT BRUNK was one of the competitors. Photo courtesy of Shawna Blanka

Kids compete after dual

There were 20 kids wrestling matches on Friday night following the high school dual with Goodland. The first match was two St. Francis kids wrestling each other.

Results include; Brody Kaup won over Shannon Semler; Keifer Eberhart, Goodland, won over Jasper Hunt; Champ King, Goodland, won over Wyatt Hilt; Garin Cooper won over Kiefer Eberhart, Goodland; Dawson Holub, Goodland, won over Shadryon Blanka; Dawson Holub, Goodland, won over Seth Hilt; Jared Stoffel, Goodland, won over Rylan Doyle; Chase Johnson, Goodland, won over Connor Keller; Champ King, Goodland, won over Tiernan Poling; Cody Baxter won over Jordan Raby, Goodland; Luke Lampe won over Chase Johnson, Goodland; Louis Ledesma, Goodland, won over Trayton Doyle; Tate Withington, Goodland, won over Matt Leibbrandt; Simon Bassett, Goodland, won over Matt Leibbrandt; Garrett Brunk won over Tanner Gastineau, Goodland; Tristan Cooper, Goodland, won over Dalton Straub; Evan Peter, Goodland, won over Travis Rogers; Drew House, Goodland, won over Jon Hoard; Brock Butts, Goodland, won over

Taylor Rogers; Justin Pacheco won over Coy Johnson, Goodland.

Colby Kids Tournament

There were 10 St. Francis wrestlers competing with 260 wrestlers at the Colby tournament on Saturday. Luke Lampe and Garrett Brunk both took first place.

In the 6 and under: Shadryon Blanka, 58 pounds, placed second; Rylan Doyle, 64 pounds, placed fourth.

In the 8 and under: Cody Baxter, 61 pounds, placed third; Luke Lampe, 73 pounds, placed first; Trayton Doyle, heavy-weight, placed second.

In the 10 and under: Taylor Rogers, 79 pounds, placed fifth; Travis Rogers, 85 pounds participated; Garrett Brunk, 95 pounds, placed first.

In the 12 and under: Justin Pacheco, 96 pounds, placed fourth and Shakotah Blanka, 215 pounds, placed second.

Friday/Saturday action

This week the St. Francis wrestlers will travel to Atwood on Friday night to wrestle with Atwood little kids wrestlers, during the high school dual and then to Oakley on Saturday for a tournament.

Sainty football player signs

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Indian football player Trent Kinen, a senior, will be participating in the football program at Dodge City Community College following his graduation from St. Francis in May.

Kinen, a two-time All-Northwest Kansas League pick, was named to the second team as a defensive back following the 2008 season.

He has been a part of the successful Indian football program his complete high school career.

"Trent never missed attending weights all four years," Coach Tim Lambert said. "He is a hard worker and disciplined."

The coach also said he has been a vital part of the St. Francis football program especially his last two years on varsity. "His work ethic is second to none."

Sports Administration is the program which Kinen is planning for his career and he will be working on at-



Kinen

taining this goal beginning this fall.

"College football is going to take all year," Kinen said. "It will be a job, a lot of work, but fun at the same time. I spent time at St. Francis with weights, working in school and being a leader on the practice field."

Coach Lambert feels that Kinen needs to put on a little weight, but he has the speed, runs well and is not afraid to hit.

"If he puts in time and dedication he has the ability."

"The opportunity is here and I want to take it," said Kinen. "I am very excited. It is a challenge worth trying."

The coach feels that Trent could be very good playing at the college level, maybe even better than high school. "He has the ability to make his mark."

Athlete to play ball at college

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Casey House, a St. Francis Community High School senior, and member of the 2008 Indian football team has signed a letter of intent to play football for the Dodge City Community College Conquistador football team

Casey moved to St. Francis in time to play with the Indians his senior year, having participated in football at Goodland prior to coming to the Sainty squad.

He played free safety, offensive tackle and defensive tackle for St. Francis.

"He was a great addition this year," Coach Tim Lambert said. "He only got better. He did a good job of stepping up when we had our injury troubles."

Northwest Kansas League coaches rewarded Casey for his efforts by naming him to the second team as an offensive guard.

Casey felt that by being able to play all three spots, he was able to help the team out



House

at all the positions.

He also said that playing at St. Francis was the best football experience he has had. "It was nice to be on a winning team."

"I'm excited for sure (to be playing college ball)," he said. "It will be tough at first but I'll get used to it. Not many people get the opportunity and I will take it while it is there. It will be a great experience but not easy to do."

Coach Lambert said he has the ability, the frame and the size to play college ball. "If he goes to class and applies himself he could have a really bright future in football."

The coach feels that Casey has the ability to make his mark. He could be very good, maybe even better at college ball.

